

MONTANA URBAN AND COMMUNITY FORESTRY ASSOCIATION

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MISSION

The Montana Urban and Community Forestry Association (MUCFA) encourages active management of local community forestry programs for the benefit of the citizens of Montana. The purposes of the Association shall be to:

- Assist and advise the Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation State Forester in development, implementation, and monitoring of the Urban and Community Forestry Program.
- Promote and encourage public awareness, education, and volunteerism of urban and community forestry, and the benefits it provides.
- Cultivate cooperation among all agencies, groups, and individuals involved in urban and community forestry in Montana.
- Advise the people of Montana and local, state and federal officials, and other entities on urban and community forestry issues and concerns.
- Encourage and promote the planting, maintenance, and management of vegetation in municipalities and counties within Montana according to current industry standards.
- Solicit funds for, and promote, Association projects and activities.

 MUCFA is an advisory group to the State Forester on the direction of the Montana Urban & Community Forestry Program. September 12, 2013

RE: City/Utility Company Tree Removal and Replacement Agreement

Dear Mayors and City Managers:

The Montana Urban and Community Forestry Association (MUCFA) has developed a model City/Utility Company Tree Removal and Replacement Agreement for your use (Attachment 1). The Agreement is based on one negotiated between the City of Helena and NorthWestern Energy Company in 2013. The Agreement provides a model for cities/towns, and utility companies to negotiate and define roles and responsibilities for urban tree removals and replacements.

MUCFA feels the model Agreement has value and is making it available for your use. The Agreement is available on the MT Department of Natural Resources and Conservation MUCFA website at:

http://dnrc.mt.gov/Forestry/Assistance/Urban/mucfa.asp

If you have any questions or comments about the Agreement, please call me at: 1-406-431-4615 or email me: at m2andp2@mt.net

Sincerely,

Patrick Plantenberg, Chair Montana Urban and Community Forestry Association

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